We cartainly are having nice weather, but a good rain is needed.

Mrs. John Yoss happened to quite a serious secident has Thursday morning by falling down their stainway. There will be a township Red Cross sale are Pleasant agent in the head, but at this writing she is getting along very nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Yoth, R., and baby spent lest Wednesday night with her parents. C. M. Rapp and family yisted last Wednesday night with Wm. Bolte to gee her. 2007. Mrs. and Mrs. Frank Rapp.

Mrs. and Mrs. John Snodgrass went to Rockville Saturday to attend Babe Griggs funeral, who died with pieumonia at Carm Sherman, Ohio.

John and Theo. Marquards and their wives and Henry Marquardt spent the day Friday with the former's caughter, Mrs. Nick Rapp and family and Saturday with the other of coal.

Mrs. I. M. Smith had her house reshingled last week.

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John Fischer and wife and Frieda Bracher, were shopping in Rich Hill

one day last week.

Albert Fischer and family and John Fischer and part of his family motored to near Hathina, Kansas, Friday to visit their sister, Mrs. Keenhoff, who formerly was Anna Fischer,

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Vogt; jr., and ify spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

Rapp home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

A few of the young folks from around here attended a positive from a posit

Sunday afternoon, as Rev. Zschooche and Mrs. Hertz served a dainty lunch left there.

Frank Rapp and family and Clarence Bearce ate dinner Sunday with Henry Fleischer and family.

Oscar and Miss Elsie Bracher, Miss Lydia and Amos Rapp and Miss Ella Bolte were out car riding Sunday and Miss Ella Bolte were out car riding Sunday the

day afternoon and stopped at the Miss Lena Bohm home and enjoyed

a very good time.

Mr. and Mrs. John Marquardt entertained at dinner Sunday his brother's, Henry of Chicago, and Theo and wife of Independence, Kansas. Their daughters, Mrs. Nick and Martin Rapp and families, Pete Herman and Mr. and Mrs. Deerwester, of near Butler.

Johnnie Marquardt and family spent Sunday night with her sister, Mrs. John Yoss and family. Mrs. Bolte and Mrs. Schmidt called

to see Mrs. John Yoss Sunday after-Mrs. Herman Steuck and Mrs. Ed

Montgomery spent the day Saturday with their mother, Mrs. Frank Fix.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yoss are rejoicing over a little daughter which arrived at their house last week. Miss

Ida Schenker is working for them.

Len Vogt and part of his family and C. M. Rapp and family spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Vogt jr., and baby.

A little girl arrived at the Will

Hammer home and a little boy at the Lawrence Kemper home Monday. PRISCILLA.

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Spruce News.

I. H. Dickison motored to Clinton in his truck with produce Tuesday.

Archie Odneal motored to Dr.

Lusk's near Virginia, after pears, Friday afternoon.

Miss Rosa Hoile, from near Montrose spent Wednesday afternoon at

rose Saturday afternoon after a load

Ira Eads motored to Appleton City with produce Saturday morning.

Mr. Ochletree gave a temperance lecture at the Methodist church Friday night.

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Herrell Happenings.

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Mrs. George Hertz stayed with
Mrs. Jake Baum last week while their husbands were in Kansas City. H. A. Wayland received word this week that his daughter, Lela, who has a position at Washington, D. C., was just recovering from the Spanish

WILLIE.

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Merwin News.

Water is getting scarce again.

rain is needed very badly.

Mrs. James Young and daughter and Mrs. W. I. Lewis and daughter were shopping in Butler Saturday.

Charley Hutton of Kansas City has been here the past week visiting his sister, Mrs. H. D. Ritchey.

Nevil Baker went to Butler Tuesday on business.

day on business. Joe George was down from Drexel

Saturday buying stock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray McGee of Drexel visited at the James Harrison home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Linn and family of Elkhart spent Sunday at the Ritchey Mrs. Morris Walters went to Kan-

sas City Sunday to undergo an operation for appendicitis. -To Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Kessler Friday, Oct. 14, a fine boy.

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I will be in the following towns on the dates named, where I will have all kinds of fat mares and

Farm for Sale.

85 acres in edge of aBtes county, 2 miles of Archie. 50 acres of high bottom land, rest upland. Some timber. the Chas. Parker home.

Mrs. I. H. Dickison received a telegram Saturday that her brother,
John Vanhoy, was seriously ill with

15 acres of grass. House and outbuildings. For particulars write or
see
H. P. Mawson,
50-2t' Box 31, Archie, Mo.

let up in American endeavor.
"Germany has met with a great dis-"Germany has met with a great disappointment. She expected an addition of 2,000,000 men to her army from the conquered provinces of Russia, Esthonia, Livonia and Ukrainia. They were promised her twelve months ago, again six months ago and again three months ago, but they will not be forthcoming.

"Allied success has made such reenforcement of Germany impossible. She will have to rely upon her own resources and they are already

resources and they are already

fort.'

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OUR ARMY "51 DAYS LONG" Next June it Would Take Three Months to Pass Given Point.

Washington, Oct. 1.-It would take the American Army, marching in in-fantry formation, fifty-one days to pass a given point, Representative Lunn, Democrat, of New York, and member of the military committee, told the House today in illustrating the magnitude of America's war

preparations.
To show the rate at which the army still is growing, Mr. Lunn said that if such a review were to be held next June it would take the troops three months' steady marching to Often it

pass one point. Mr. Lunn gave the House latest official War Department figures on the army's supplies and equipment. Everything was in millions and bil-

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Mets the Key to Peace of Europe, Kaiser Said in '93.

In a speech at Metz, the German fortified city which Gen. Pershing's army now is approaching, the present ruler of Germany, then referred to as the "young kaiser," delivered a speech army maneuvers in which he declared that Metz and its army formed the "cornerstone" of the military power of Germany.

"Metz and its army corps form the cornerstone of the military might of the German empire," the kaiser said. Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that "Metz is destined to be the safeguard of the peace of Germany and the whole of Europe. It is my firm purpose to maintain this peace. We of-fer thanks to the God of Battle for having led us thus far, and for hav-ing added to the empire this lovely portion of the earth.'

At the maneuvers which followed the kaiset took command of one army which defended Metz against the attacks of an "enemy," consisting of several other army corps.

The kaiser's speech agrees closely with views of military experts who now declare that if Metz falls to the Allies the whole Phin in the state of th Allies the whole Rhine industrial and iron region of Germany will be open to the Allies and the war virtually will be ended. Thus Metz would, as the Kaiser said twenty-five years ago, be the key to peace in Europe, but not in the sense the kaiser meant.—. St. Louis Star.

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What the Boys in France Consume.

Fifty tons of smoking tobacco, 60,000 tons of coffee and 14 shiploads of
sugar are only a few of the supplies
that will have to go forward, within the coming year, from this country to our Boys in Khaki in France. Four-teen shiploads of sugar! And still some of the grumblers in this country wonder why they should have sugar issued them in rations. How does the daily many this sound to you, as the daily menu

3,000,000 pounds of beef, 450,000
pounds of bacon, 420,000 pounds of
ham, 170,000 cans of tomatoes and
450,000 cans of jam? But such is the
supply that our gallant husky American soldier boys put away every day,
as a preliminary to the Kaiser "swatfest."

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Colored Soldiers Are Good Ones.

terview in the St. Los ant Jao. A. Robinson reon with the Thirty division, says that the are making a gree mackets, both in the Lieut. R

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

James Goodnight gave us a splendid talk Tuesday, on his experience as an American soldier on the western front. He left with the first selective draft contingent from the United States. He told us the life of a soldier from the training camp in the United States to the trenches in France. He was wounded there and s now giving lectures over here.

The whole school is now working for the Fourth Liberty Loan. Many of the pupils are making short talks for this cause in the English and His-

tory classes.

The students of the Butler schools are going to give a big Fourth Lib-crty Loan parade Saturday afternoon at 2:30. The pupils of the rural schools are invited to be in the par-

Everybody come and see the parade it will be worth your time. Tell your

friends to come. Last Thursday night was a big night for everyone who attended the High School reception. A fine pro-gram was rendered by the faculty and students. Refreshments were served.

The High School is doing every thing to prevent influenza. The building was fumigated during the week and all the windows are being left open as much as possible.

The High School base ball team defeated the City team 14 to 11 Friday evening. Buy a Bond and help democracy.

Junior Jingles.

The noisy Juniors as they are called are working hard for those coveted E's which are so scarce now

The Juniors won 3rd place in the base ball tournament.

We are glad that Robert Lie Van is again back to school after a week's absence on account of injuries received in the base ball tournament. Everyone be on the watch for the "Battle Ship Junior" next Saturday afternoon. Also buy a bond and help save the world from bondage.

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HAVE YOU A BAD BACK?

Does your back ache, night and

Hinder work; destroy your rest? Does it stab you through and When you stoop or lift or bend? Then your kidneys may be weak. Often backache is the clue. Just to give you further proof,

The kidney action may be wrong. If attention is not paid More distrees will soon appear. Headaches, dizzy spells and nerves, Uric acid and its ills Make the burden worse and worse. Liniments and plasters can't Reach the inward cause at all; Help the kidneys-use the pills Butler folks have tried and proved. What they say you can believe. Read this Butler woman's account.

See her, ask her, if you doubt. Mrs. A. E. Debow, 406 W. Pine St., ays: "I haven't needed Doan's Kidney Pills for some time because of

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Trapshooters in the Trenches.

A truly American idea which is saving many lives in the front lines is in the so-called "buckshot squads." These squads are made up of crack trapshooters. Instead of directing their efforts on clay pigeons they de flect the hand grenades which the Germans hurl toward their trenches.

The force of a full charge of buckshot on a Mills bomb, for instance, is to make it fall many yards short of the object for which it was intended. It explodes, of course, but outside the trench, and the steel particles fly harmlessly over the heads of the men. Thus a popular American sport has been directed toward winning the war.-Pittsburgh Sun.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given to all credit-ors and others interested in the estate of I. M. Smith, deceased, that I, Lucy M. Smith, Executrix of said estate, intend to make final settlement thereof, at the next term of the Bates
county Probate Court, in Bates County, State of Missouri, to be held at
Butler, Missouri, commencing on the 11th day of November, 1918.
Lucy M. Smith,

Executrix.

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Convict Escapes on Way to Ball Game.

The honor system for convicts in the Missouri penitentiary received a vict, serving a life sentence for mur-der, jumped from a train that was taking a convict ball team to St. Louis to play a team in that city. There were few guards on the train as the convicts making the trip had been put on their honor not to attempt to es-

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